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I would include "Currency" in the quote below:

There is nothing more fascinating than collecting coins, all history is summed up in them...they are the story of humanity.

W.H. Valentine (1856-1927)

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The museum has a program called the Friends of the NNC that provide funds to various digitization and education projects that are a priority for the numismatic community and the department.

If you would like more information about the program you can find it here: <http://americanhistory.si.edu/giving/friends-of-numismatics>

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Overview of the Smithsonian's 2014 "Rapid Capture" digitization program.

The National Numismatic Collection began a pioneering "Rapid Capture" digitization process in October 2014. The project was designed to digitize the certified proof sheets from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing collection. The proofs were transferred to the National Numismatic Collection from the 1960s and 1980s. The scanning process utilized a conveyor belt system with a huge 80 megapixel image camera to capture the items as quickly as possible. The process was much more effective compared to the older way using just a flatbed scanner. The Rapid Capture group photographed around 3,500 sheets daily. It cost less than a dollar a sheet. It was completed in only four and a half months. This project establishes a valuable resource for currency researcher and students.

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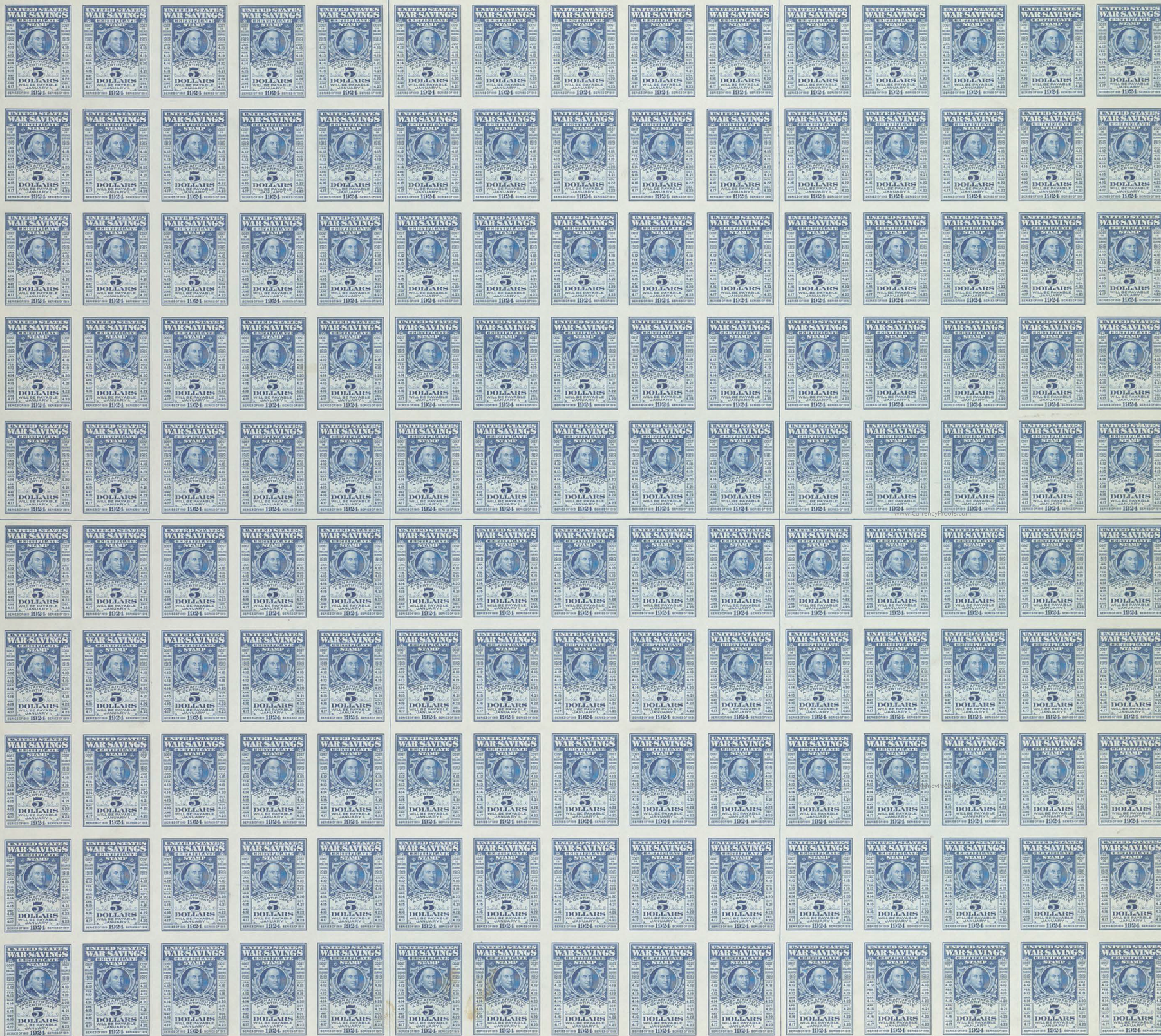
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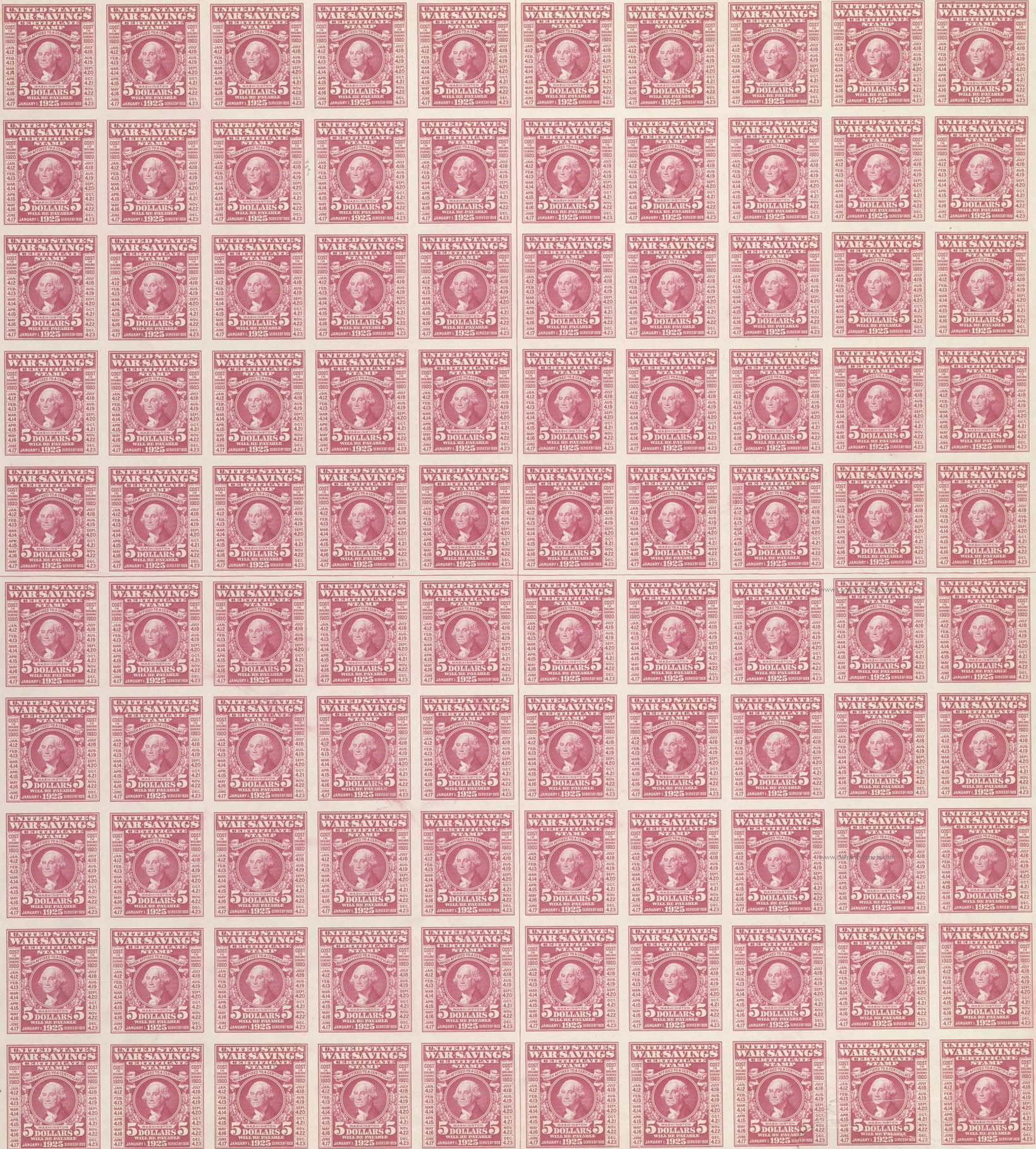
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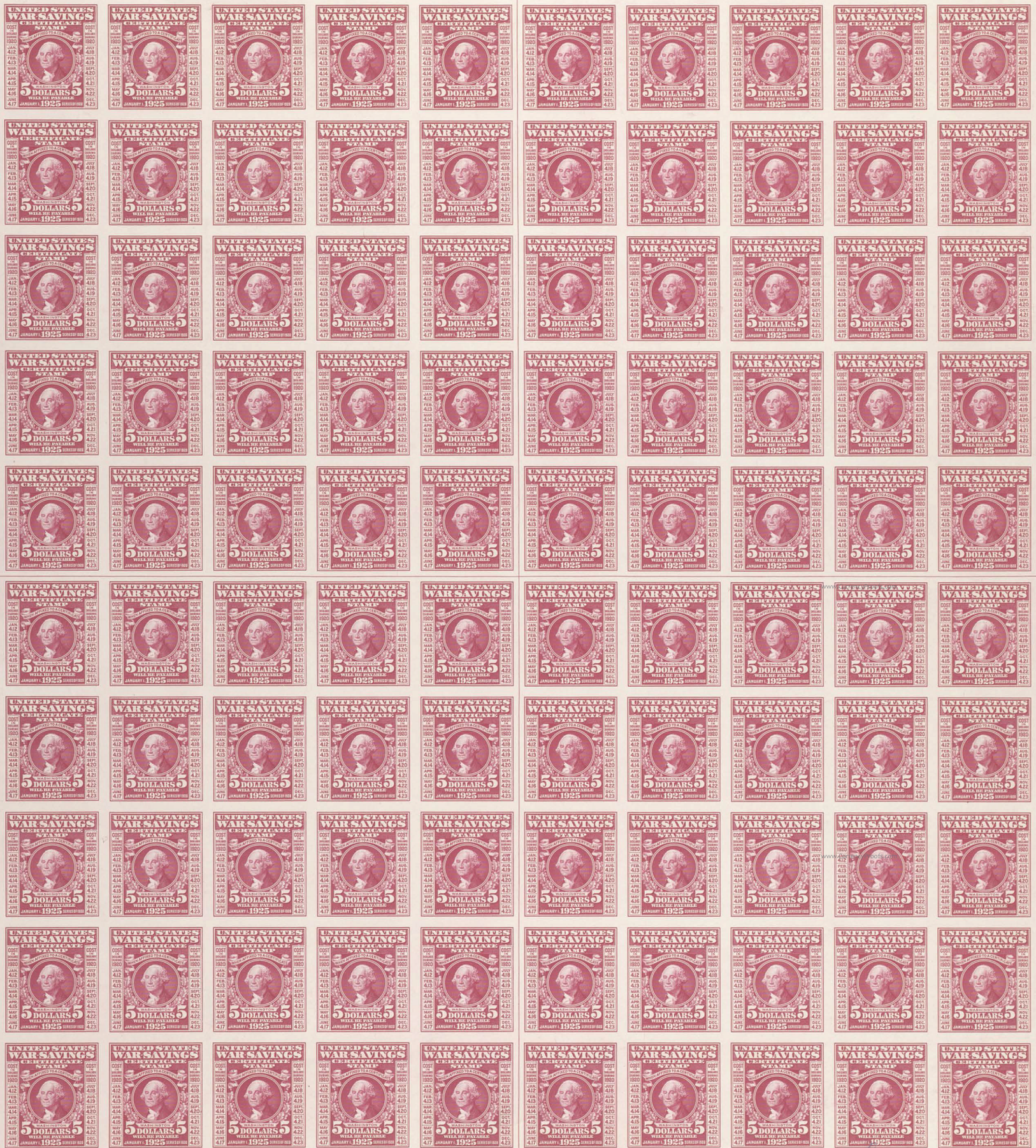
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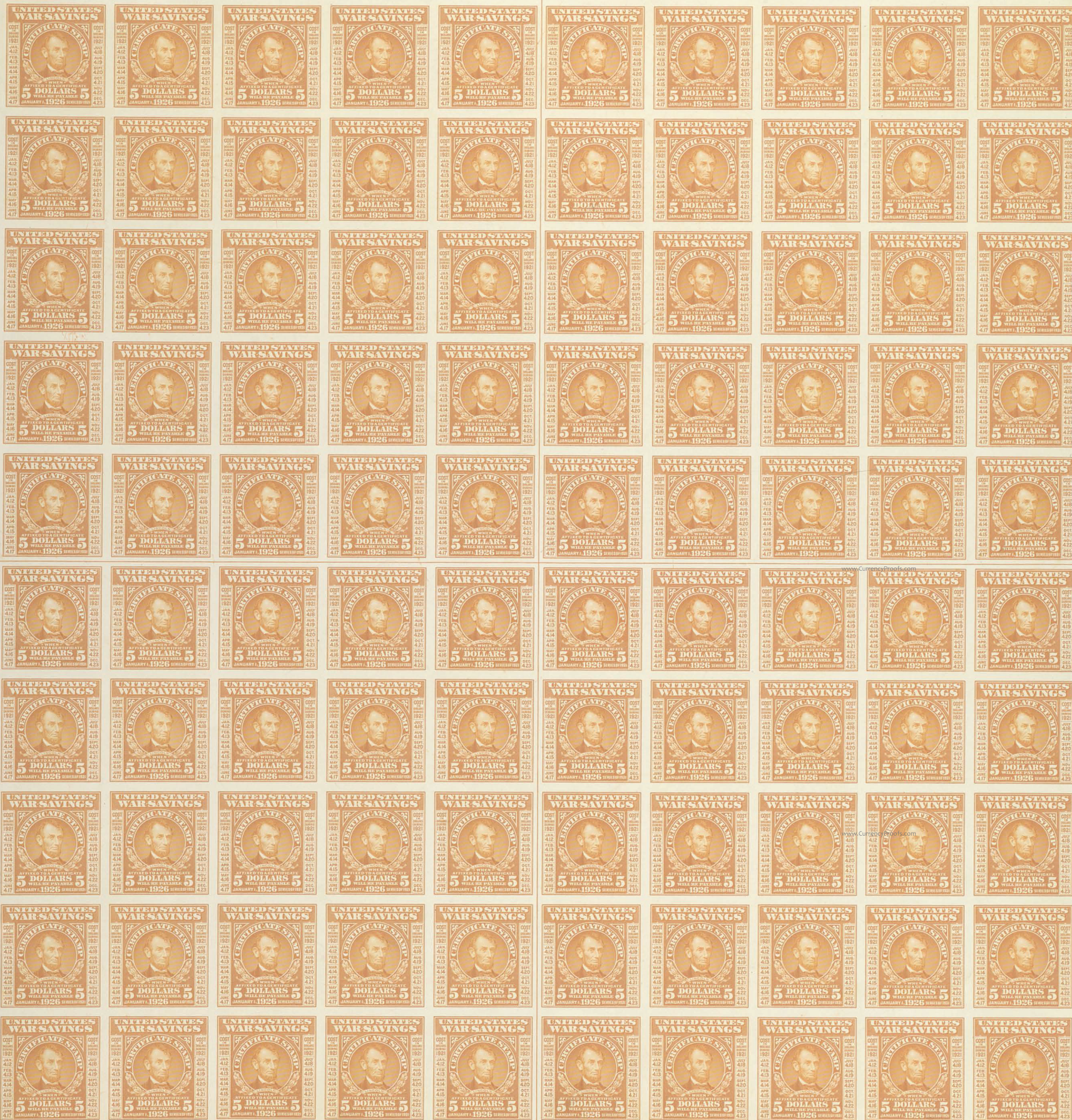
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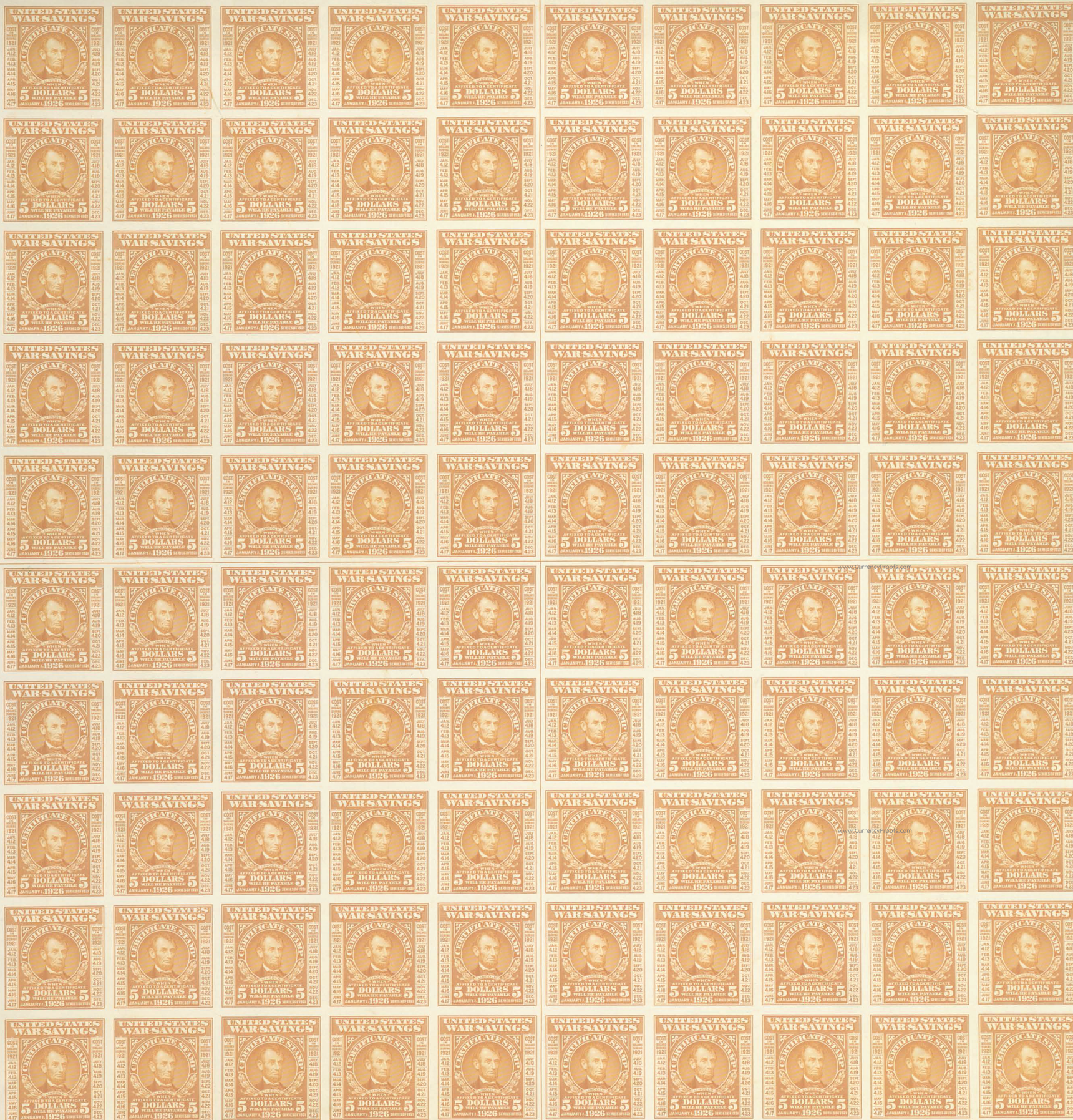
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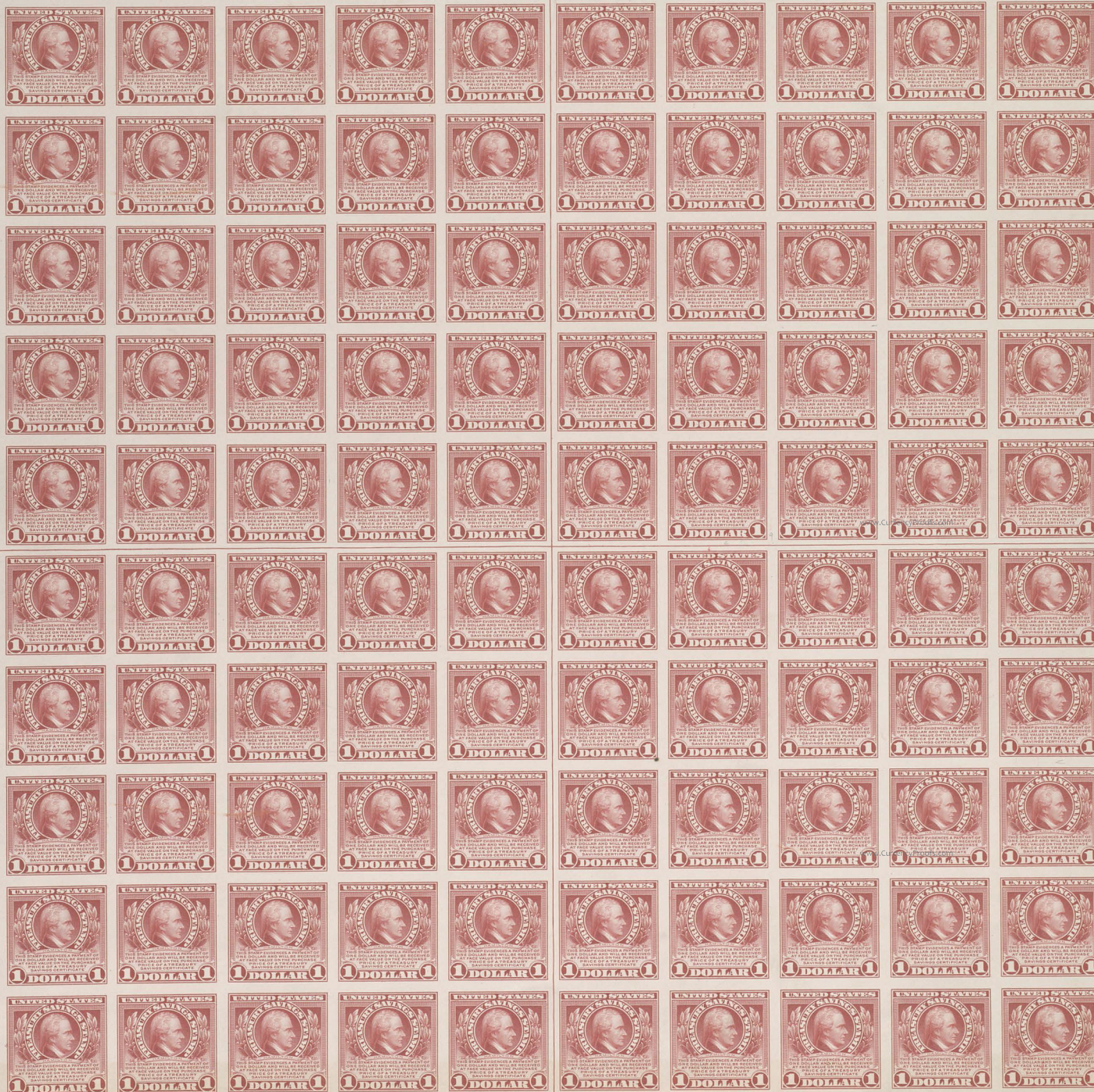


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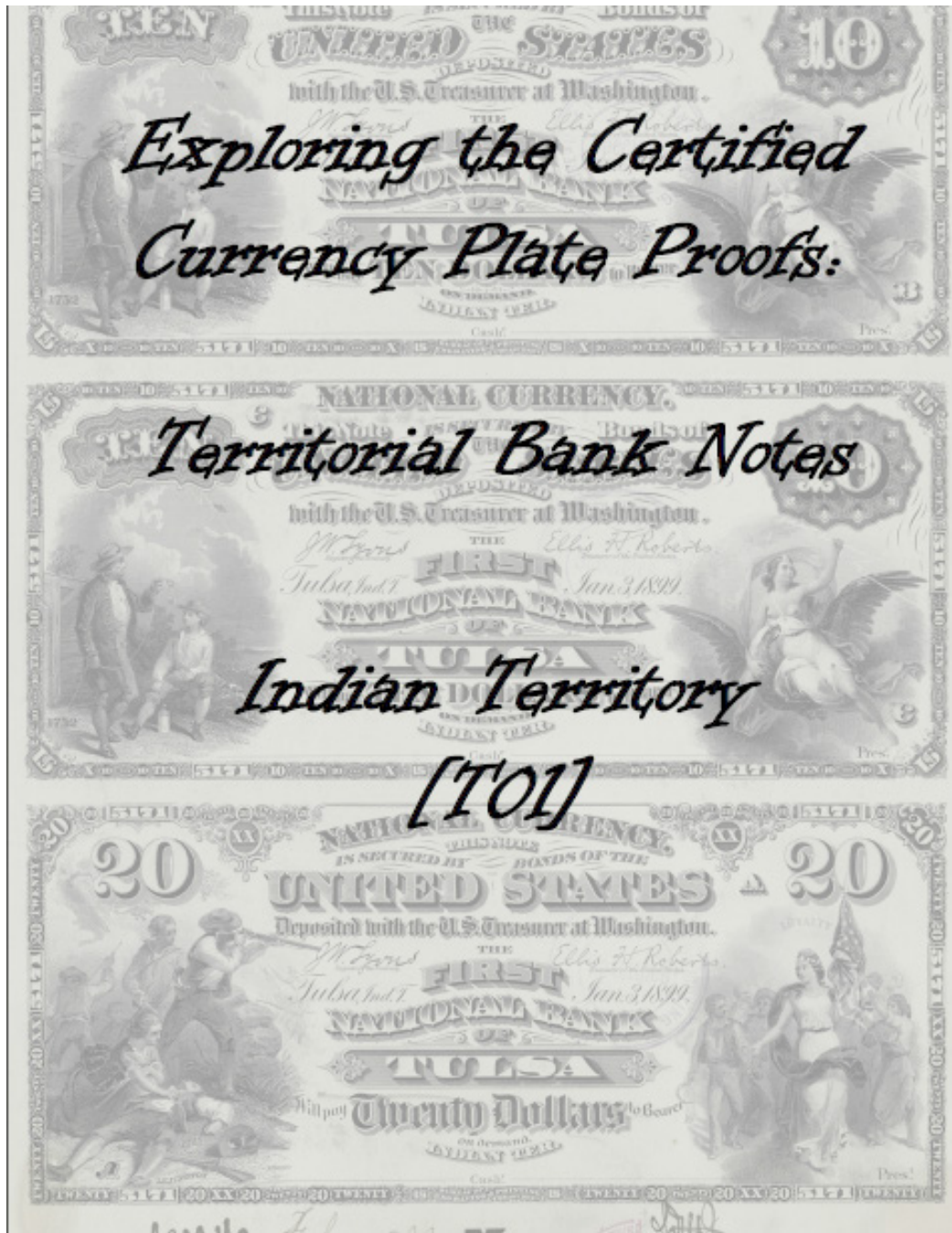


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